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Thursday, January 30, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger

SUBJECT: Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board

The attached package contains the following:

- Tab A -- a draft Executive Order establishing a President's Foreign Intelligence ~~Advisory~~ Board to replace the existing Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board (FIAB);
- Tab B -- a list of the members of the present FIAB;
- Tab C -- letters of resignation from all FIAB members;
- Tab D -- a list of possible appointees to the new Board.

The New Executive Order

The highlights of the proposed Executive Order are:

- A requirement that members be from outside the Government, and have knowledge and experience in national defense and security matters or other attributes that would contribute to the Board's effectiveness. (This modifies the previous Executive Order, which had no requirement re expertise.)
- An expansion of the Board's charter, to include greater responsibility to review, assess and advise the President on the quality and reliability of intelligence.
- A requirement that the Director of Central Intelligence shall make intelligence information available to the Board.
- Provision for a Board staff, with a Presidentially appointed Executive Director.

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Discussion:

The proposed Executive Order was drafted after examination of the Eisenhower and Kennedy Executive Orders and is a combination of ideas from Frank Lincoln and General Taylor.

The next step is to submit the draft Executive Order to the Bureau of the Budget for examination (BOB solicits comments from the relevant Departments) and to the Justice Department for examination as to legality.

The present Board is composed of eight members, all of whom have tendered their resignations. You have the option of accepting them and appointing a new Board, or retaining some or all of the present members. The present incumbents will continue to function until the new Order is signed and resignations are accepted. (A list of possible new appointees is at Tab D.)

Before going to BOB and Justice for a final review of the document, we need your approval of the recommendations below.

Recommendations:

1. That you approve -- in principle -- the draft Executive Order at Tab A. (We will then send it to BOB for final review, including departmental comments and a Justice Department examination. The final document will then be submitted to you for final approval and signature.)

Approve _____ Disapprove _____ Other _____

2. That you accept -- in principle -- the resignations of William Langer and John H. Sides.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____ Other _____

3. That you and I discuss, at your convenience, the appointment of new members to the Board.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

4. That we hold up on letters accepting the resignations until we can issue the new Executive Order and announce the replacements.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____ Other _____

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHING THE PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States, it is ordered as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby established the President's Foreign Intelligence Board, hereinafter referred to as the Board, which shall (a) advise the President concerning the objectives, conduct, management and coordination of the various activities making up the overall national intelligence effort; (b) conduct a continuing review and assessment of foreign intelligence and related activities in which the Central Intelligence Agency and other U. S. Government departments and agencies are engaged; and (c) report to the President concerning the Board's findings and appraisals, and make appropriate recommendations for actions to achieve increased effectiveness of the U. S. foreign intelligence effort in meeting national intelligence needs.

Section 2. In order to facilitate performance of the Board's functions, the Director of Central Intelligence and the heads of all other departments and agencies shall make available to the Board all information with respect to foreign intelligence and related matters which the Board may require for the purpose of carrying out its responsibilities to the President in accordance with the terms of this Order. Such information made available to the Board shall be given all necessary security protection in accordance with the terms and provisions of applicable laws and regulations.

Section 3. Members of the Board shall be appointed by the President from among persons outside the Government, qualified on the basis of knowledge and experience in matters relating to the national defense and security, or possessing other knowledge and abilities which may be expected to contribute to the effective performance of the Board's duties. The members of the Board shall receive such compensation and allowances, consonant with law, as may be prescribed hereafter.

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Section 4. The Board shall have a staff headed by an Executive Director who shall be appointed by the President and who shall be authorized, subject to the approval of the Board, to appoint and fix the compensation of such personnel as may be necessary for performance of the Board's duties. The Executive Director shall receive such compensation and allowances, consonant with law, as shall be prescribed hereafter.

Section 5. Compensation and allowances of the Board, the Executive Director, and members of the staff, together with other expenses arising in connection with the work of the Board shall be paid from the appropriation appearing under the heading "Special Projects" in the Executive Office Appropriation Act, 1969, Public Law 90-350, 82 Stat. 195, and, to the extent permitted by law, from any corresponding appropriation which may be made for subsequent years. Such payments shall be made without regard to the provisions of Section 3681 of the Revised Statutes and Section 9 of the Act of March 4, 1909, 35 Stat. 1027 (31 USC 672 and 673).

Section 6. Executive Order number 10938 of May 4, 1961, is hereby revoked.

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February , 1969

Maxwell D. Taylor, Chairman
J. Patrick Coyne, Executive Secretary
William O. Baker
Gordon Gray
Edwin H. Land
William L. Langer
Robert D. Murphy
Frank Pace, Jr.
John H. Sides

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PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD

January 20, 1969

The President
The White House

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with established practice
I hereby submit my resignation from the
President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory
Board effective at your convenience.

Yours respectfully,

Maxwell D. Taylor
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Chairman

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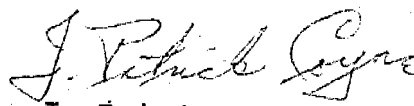
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The White House

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with established practice
I hereby submit my resignation as Executive
Secretary of the President's Foreign Intel-
ligence Advisory Board effective at your
convenience.

Yours respectfully,


J. Patrick Coyne
Executive Secretary

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Dear Mr. President:

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I hereby submit my resignation from the
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Yours respectfully,

W. O. Baker

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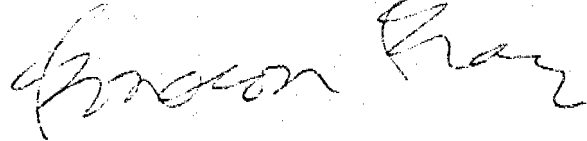
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The President
The White House

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with established practice
I hereby submit my resignation from the
President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory
Board effective at your convenience.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gordon Gray", written in dark ink.

Gordon Gray

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Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with established practice
I hereby submit my resignation from the
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Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edwin Land".

Edwin H. Land

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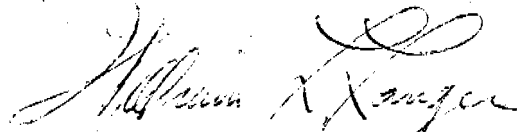
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Yours respectfully,

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William L. Langer

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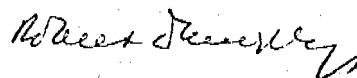
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Yours respectfully,



Robert D. Murphy

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Dear Mr. President:

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Yours respectfully,


Frank Pace, Jr.

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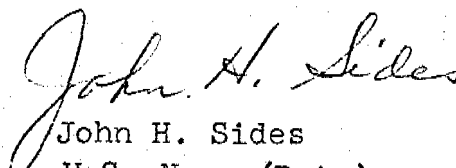
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Yours respectfully,


John H. Sides
U.S. Navy (Ret.)

Frank Lincoln

General Lyman Lemnitzer
General Lauris Norstad
Admiral George Anderson
Admiral Arleigh Burke
General Arthur G. Trudeau
Dr. John Dessauer (Xerox)
Dr. Guy Stever (President, Carnegie-Mellon University)
Robert Murphy
General Bernard Schriever
Thomas Gates
Neil McElroy

General Taylor

Douglas Dillon

Charles Bohlen

Dr. Max Millikan

McGeorge Bundy

Admiral George Anderson

OTHERS

Governor Nelson Rockefeller

General Mark Clark